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Mercantile Summary.

A NUMBER of schemes to establish cheese and butter factories are on foot in the Richmond district. Quebec.

THE annual meeting of the stockholders of Messrs. Wm. Parks & Son, limited, was held in St. John, N.B., on the 19th.

A PEMBROKE butcher recently purchased fifty carcasses of meat from the ranch of Sir Lister Kaye, near Calgary, and the Standard says "it is the finest dead meat ever brought to this town."

THE Pillow, Hersey Manufacturing com. pany of Montreal has held its annual meeting. Last year's board of directors was re-elected, Mr. Raudolphe Hersey is president and Mr. John A. Pillow mannger.

AUCTIONEER BRUNTON, of London, obtained 66 cents on the dollar for the general stock of Robert Sterritt, Forest, the other day. It amounted to \$11,500, and was secured by a Campbellford buyer.

Nnw sugar, made at St. Hyacinthe on the 15th instant, has made its appearance on the Quebec market. This looks, says the Chronicle, like forcing the season somewhat, but the first specimen of this year's crop is said to be excellent.

"Now, that's what I like to see," said the visiting merchant to the proprietor of the great dry goods emporium, "all the clerks full of vim and energy." "Yes," assented the proprietor, "we close early to day, and they are all getting ready to go home."

In its weekly review of trade in Vancouver, B.C., the News-Advertiser says : Merchants are beginning to realize, those who have inaugurated it, the benefits of the lessening of the credit system, and, though the volume of their transactions may not be increased by it, the same is much more satisfactory.

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